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ECO TOURISM
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the proposals received by the Government for development of tourist infrastructure and promotion of eco-tourism during the last year and the current year, so far, State/UT-wise;

(b) The proposals sanctioned by the Government during the above period and financial assistance provided therefor during the above period, State/UT-wise; and

(c) the funds earmarked for development of eco-tourism during the current Plan Period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) and (b): The Ministry of Tourism extends Central Financial Assistance to the State/Union Territory Governments for development of tourist infrastructure and promotion of tourism including eco-tourism on the basis of the proposals received from them, subject to availability of funds and inter-se priority. The Central Financial Assistance extended to the State/Union Territory Governments in the financial year 2006-07 are at Annexure. No proposal has been received from the State/Union Territory Governments in the current financial year 2007-08.

(c): The fund earmarked in the current financial year 2007-08 for Product Infrastructure Development for Destination and Circuit Scheme of the Ministry, including infrastructure development for eco-tourism is Rs.546.00 crore.